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Whereas the facilities for caring for lepers are better in the Hawaiian Island than can be provided in this country ; therefore be it,

Resolved, That this Board urges and requests the Senators and Representatives of California to secure the enactment of legislation by Congress which shall provide for the transportation of lepers from this country to the Hawaiian Islands, and for their maintenance there at the expense of this Government.

Resolved, That copies of these resolutions be forwarded to each of the Senators and Congressmen representing the State of California, to the State board of health, to the boards of health of San Francisco, New York, New Orleans, Chicago, St. Louis, Denver, St. Paul, and Minneapolis, to the judicial council of the State medical society of California, to Surgeon-General Walter Wyman, and to the State health officer of Minnesota.

Precautions against smallpox—Inspection of vessels on the Potomac.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *April 18, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of yours of the 13th instant, relative to the inspection of vessels about to enter this District from the lower Potomac. Arrangements have been made for the prompt detection of any such vessels which may pass quarantine without inspection. If this Department can cooperate with you in any way in this matter it will be pleased to do so. Thanking you for your action, I am,

Respectfully,

WM. C. WOODWARD, M. D.,

Health Officer.

Smallpox in Kansas.

TOPEKA, KANS., *April 7, 1900.*

SIR: In compliance with the resolutions adopted by the national conference of State and provincial boards of health at Toronto, 1886, and Washington, 1887, it becomes my duty to inform you that smallpox has been reported to this office from the following points in the State of Kansas during the month of March, 1900: Barber County, 54 cases; Burlingame, 5 cases; Burns, 3 cases; Butler County, 1 case; Centralia, 1 case; Cherokee, 1 case; Douglas County, 35 cases; Florence, 1 case; Franklin County, 9 cases; Greenwood County, 6 cases; Hartford, 2 cases; Hutchinson, 1 case; Jefferson County, 29 cases, 1 death; Kingman County, 18 cases, 1 death; McCune, 9 cases; McPherson, 1 case; Mound City, 2 cases; Nemaha County, 33 cases; Neosho County, 5 cases; Osawatomie, 5 cases; Ottawa County, 1 case; Parsons, 6 cases, 1 death; Pittsburg, 10 cases; Salina, 16 cases; Sedgwick County, 13 cases; Seneca, 2 cases; Shawnee County, 22 cases; Summerfield, 1 case; Sumner County, 65 cases; Topeka, 45 cases, 1 death; Waterville, 2 cases; Wichita, 19 cases, 1 death; Yale, 33 cases. Total number of cases, 456. Total number of deaths, 5.

During the month just passed smallpox has appeared at 13 new points. In the country districts great difficulty has been experienced in getting the disease under control on account of the insufficient authority of the county boards of health. At the present time, however, I am able to report the disease under good control at all points.

Respectfully,

W. B. SWAN, M. D.,
Secretary State Board of Health.